

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, July 20th, 1885

The Board of Aldermen met last night in the City Hall. Present: Mayor Becher, in the chair; Ald. Taylor, Greene, Browne, O'Meara, Kingston, Scarrow, Watson, Stringer, Christie, Hodgins, and A. S. Abbott, clerk. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The Mayor thanked the members for the kind resolution which they had passed at last meeting, expressing their sympathy with him in connection with the recent sudden death of his father.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Judge Elliot—Expressing the satisfaction which the Council's tribute to the late Skeff. Elliot's memory had afforded his parents and family. Filed.

F. Love—Re the income of the late D. Currie. No. 1.

From William Moylan and seven other property owners—Protesting against the laying of a sewer on Horton street west of Wellington street. No. 2.

From I. L. Edy—Asking for information regarding arrangements for excursion parties from outside towns to the city on the occasion of civic holidays, also as to points of interest in the city. Referred to the Mayor to answer.

From Thos. Croden and J. D. Riddell—Asking the Council to grant them an increase of \$4 16 per month in their salaries, and to place them on the same footing as the other permanent members of the Fire Department.

From A. McCormick—Asking if it would be necessary to get up a second petition this year for the construction of a flagstone pavement on the east side of Richmond street. No. 2.

From Thos. Murphy and fourteen other property owners of No. 4 ward—Asking for a street lamp on the corner of St. James and William streets. No. 3.

From Thos. Muir—Appealing to the Council to authorize the discount of \$30 on water rate arrears, which the Water Commissioners had refused to allow. Referred to the Water Commissioners.

C. S. Hyman—Accepting the position of arbitrator for the city in re London East amalgamation. Filed.

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F. H. Kenny and others—In reference to the waterworks dam. Referred to the Water Commissioners.

Wm. Tytler and others—For a sidewalk on Colborne street, between Oxford and James streets.

Ald. Christie moved, and Ald. Scarrow seconded, that the prayer of the petition be granted, ordering the construction of a six-foot walk.

Ald. Stringer moved in amendment, and Ald. Browne seconded, that a five-foot walk be put down.

Lost on the following division. Yeas—Ald. Browne and Stringer. Nays—Watson, Taylor, Green, O'Meara, Kingston, Scarrow, Hodgins and Christie.

The original motion was then carried.

Geo. E. Street and others—For a gas lamp on Princess avenue, on the northwest corner of Colborne street. No. 3.

M. Masuret and others—For a flagstone walk on the north side of Dundas street between Ridout and Talbot. Ald. Kingston moved, and Ald. Scarrow seconded, that the petition be referred to No. 2 Committee with power.

Ladies' Auxiliary London E. St. Y. M. C. A.—For use of Queen's Park on Tuesday evening, 21st, to hold a garden party and to close gates. Granted.

The Mayor reported that he had been served with a writ in the suit of Susan Goldsmith vs. The City, for damages owing to an alleged defective walk.

Ald. Watson moved, and it was seconded by Ald. O'Meara that the City Solicitor be instructed to defend the suit. Carried.

Account of Jas. M. Reid of \$20 00. Referred to committee No. 2.

NUMBER TWO COMMITTEE.

Eleventh report, submitted by Ald. Taylor (chairman), recommended as follows: 1, that the petition of Mrs. Goldsmith be filed; 2, the petition of John Bodkin referred to City Engineer with instructions to enforce the bylaw; 3, that the tender of Benj. Johnson, for the construction of a tile drain on South street, from Wellington to Colborne street, on the east side, for \$1,372 50, gully holes and manholes, \$20 each, being the lowest, be accepted.